

## 2005 CENSUS SURVEY ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR CONGREGATIONS



**This announcement is suggested for use  
during the week of September 18, 2005.**

Over the past few weeks, you've heard me talk about the 2005 Census Survey and how important it is to our community. If you have completed your 2005 Census Survey, your community thanks you. If you need help with your survey, call 1-800-759-7421. Let me just remind you of a few of the ways the census survey affects all of us:

- State funding for the next five years will be reallocated in July 2006. The amount of money our community will get depends solely on population. The money we receive is used to provide vital municipal services such as police and fire protection, libraries, parks, senior centers, and more.
- Local planning of roads, schools, day care centers, services for the elderly and other community benefits are based on census results.
- The census makes our government more responsive by telling government leaders who we are and what we need.

**This announcement is suggested for use  
during the week of September 25, 2005.**

If you did not complete your 2005 Census Survey, you still have an opportunity to participate. Within the next few weeks, census workers will go to every household that did not return their Census Survey. Census numbers help provide important information about the needs of our community. Let's make sure we send the right message. If you have completed your Census Survey, we thank you. The Census Survey is important and completely confidential.